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West Virginia and Virginia Forests Should be Preserved.

CONGRESS MUST TAKE ACTION.

Chancellor Holland on the Need of Preserving Forests-Woods Needed to Keep Flowing the Sources of the Navigable Rivers-Important Suggestions Made.

The Pittsburgh Dispatch publishes

the following:

Rev. Dr. W. J. Holland, Chancellor of
the Western University, is of the opinion that Congress ought to take some action to the some of the forests of the country. The matter is of great importance, he believes, in connection with the improvenment of waterways.

Speaking of it, he said:
"There are few subjects, it seems to
me, that should be more attentively

me, that should be more attentively considered by all of the people of Western Pennsylvania, than that which is now being agitated, of improving our communication by water with the lower Mississippl valley, and also with the great lakes, by means of the proposed ship canal.

"Everything bearing upon the subject is of interest, but I desire to specially call attention to the great importance, in this connection, of making a forest restoration in parts of West Virginia and Virgipla.

"If the student will take the trouble to examine the map he will see that the Monongribela, the Kanawha, the Potomac and the James all spring from a region comparatively small in ared located among the mountains of West Virginia. This region is as yet largely primitive forest. The substratum is rock, somewhat thinly covered with soil and moss.

Denuded by Ax and Fire.

"Where the territory has been inva-ded in recent years, and the forests have been cut down, fires have quickly ded in recent years, and the forests have been cut down, fires have quickly followed, and the result has been wide-spread denudation, not followed by a second growth, for the sell is composed very largely of decayed and semi-decayed vegetable matter, which, attacked by the fires, is reduced to ashes. "I spent some hours quite recently with Prof. A. B. Hopkins, who is connected with the United States experiment station at Morgantown, W. Va. and who is one of the best authorities in this country upon matters relating to forestry. In the course of conversation with him I became deeply impressed with the vast importance of agitating for the purchase by the national government of this region, that it may be held as the Adirondack region is now held as the Adirondack region is now held as a reservation. "I very greatly fear that unless this is done the water supply of these great rivers, which are now the arteries of important commerce, may he so reduced as to bring gradually upon us the destruction of that traffic. It is important, it is eems to me, for the people of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Maryland, Virginia and West Virginias to labor to secure this reservation before the deed of destruction shall be done.

"These lands might be purchased for comparatively a small sum, and so far from being a loss to the government. I have no doubt their possessions under proper regulations would ultimately be a source of material revenue. Under a proper system the government might allow matured timber to be removed.

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Would Yield a Handsome Return. "This would be sufficient from year to "This would be sufficient from year to year not only to pay the expense of providing for the care of the reservation and guarding it against unwarranted inroads, but also to yield a handsome return upon the investment. The advantages that would accrue to the nation would be considerable in the preservation of the water supply of the great rivers, and ultimately possibly in a revenue from timber. European countries are wiser than we have been in this respect. Their necessities have compelled them to care for their forests and to preserve them. We may well emulate their example, and I for one am a thorough convert to the belief that the region that I have pointed out ought to be made a national forestry reservation.

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"I wish this matter would be taken up. I would suggest that no more competent authority upon this subject could be found than Prof. A. D. Hopkins to inform the public of what he knows in reference to this matter. He is full of interesting information upon the subject. As we are talking of building dams and digging canals it seems to me we ought to think about saving the springs from which a constant supply of water comes."

OF VAST IMPORTANCE.

An Indisputable Geographical Fact That Needs Attention. Pittsburgh Dispatch. The interview with Rev. W. J. Hol-

Pittsburgh Dispatch.

The interview with Rev, W. J. Holiand, the Chancellor of the Western University, on the needs of the preservation of the forcets of West Virginia, brings a very important subject to public notice. It is an indisputable geographical fact that in the forcets of those mountain slopes the headwaters of the Monongaheia, the Kanawha, the Potomac and the dames rivers have their rise. It is equally true, as a scientific fact, that with these slopes denuded of their forcets, the spring thaws and the later rains will rush of in violent floods, leaving the rivers to dwindle during vertods of drought. The life of these vers, so important to the mavigation of the Onlo and eastern slope, therefore, depends on establishing some check to the ravages of the lumbering enterprises that are now pushing the task of denudation.

The proposition for the creation by the government of a forcet reservation there rests on the basis of public need and welfare. If it was well to establish such a reservation in the distant Yellowstone region, it is quadruply so, where millions could reach a forest park at a lithe the cest of going to the Yellowstone.

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That scientific forestry would eventually make such a reservation a southern of revenue to the government is sufficiently shown by the fact that the net return of the state forests of Prussia twenty years ago was \$5,000,000,and that in France about \$3,000,000. It is certainly time to urge vigorous measures to stop forest destruction.

BELINGTON ITEMS.

News from a Busy Town of the Interior. Coming Municipal Election.

BELIAGTON, W. Va., Dec. 31.— There is quite an excitement in this place now over the coming municipal election. Two thefeets are out. Belington is having a very successful school this winter, with Prof. J. B. Ware, of this place, at the helm and Missica Nora. Hamilton and Beulah Hume in charge of the second and third

The town has a very presperous council of the Jr. O. U. A. M., with a memberahip of about thirty-five, which is constantly increasing. The K. of P. are also organizing a lodge here.

Several new ionibilings will be erected as soon as apring opens.

Capt. F. P. Rease is preparing to construct an elegant three-story store and brick residence on the west side near the U. B. church.

brick residence on the west succession. the U.B. church, Rev. A. B. Rhorbough and son, W. C. Rhorbough, who have been in Washington, D. C., on business, have return-

Mrs. Mary E. White, of Beverly, is visiting relatives here. The new bridge on the B & R. C. rall-road is about thirty-five feet high and

800 feet long. It crosses the West Vir-ginia Central about one mile above own. Sam Hovalter and wife, of Philippl, have moved into one of Serpel's vacant houses on the bill.

VENEZUELAH QUESTION.

No Communication from England-Per-sound of he Commission - Spain's Atti-

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 1 .- No communication or suggestion of any kind regarding the Venezuelan dispute

has come to the United States from Great Britain since Lord Salisbury's answer to Secretary Oiney, and the question stands entirely on the correspondence up to that time and the subsequent action of Cangress. This disposes of several reports including one that Queen Victoria has addressed, a personal communication, similar in tone to the one sent by the Prince of Wales expressing the hope that the two English-speaking people would have no serious differences. Such a direct communication would be according to the usage observed between the heads of nations, but in this case, her majesty has given no expression on the subject. It is known, however, that President Crespo has sent a direct message to the executive branch of the United States.

Among officials and the representatives of the foreign powers interested, it is said that no steps have been taken for the present beyond the formation of the Venezuelan commission. In unofficial quarfers the names of Messrs, Phelps, Lincoln and Brewer are most heard in connection with the commission. The expectation is that the commission will convene very soon after the names are announced, select their secretaries, translators, interpreters, and executive officers and determine upon their course of procedure. There is \$160,000 available for expenses under the act creating the body. A good part of this will be expended in the salaries of the commissioners, which will be comment position.

The policy which the commission will adout is being awalted with much interest by those most concerned. The act makes the commission rachives.

Doubtless in such a matter the wishes of the President and secretary of stateword have much weight, yet the commission is an independent quasi-judicial body which is responsible for its own actions. Some of the international authorities say that even the evidence coming from other sources, as it is pointed out that the commission will not prejuder the case by assuming the correctness of the attitude of the state department, and no more, as the evid

pointed our case by assuming the correctness of the attitude of the state department.

On the part of Great Britain there is a growing impression in official circles that indirect participation in the work of the commission will be secured. The British attitude of late has been favorable to an investigation by the United States of the basis of the British claims, for it is feit that the inquiry had been ex parte up to the time of the action by Congress. There was good reason to believe when the commission was first proposed that Great Britain would not recognize it and might take offense at its creation. But the names of the men mentioned as likely to constitute it has changed this feeling, until the present indication is that the British will not be averse to establishing before such a body the rights which Lord Salisbury stated to be incontestible. This may not be done by a direct appearance before the commission, but by the submission of the British with such a procedure the British foreign office would be giving no recognition to the jurisdiction of the commission, and yet would secure a hearing of its case.

On the part of Spain it is known that no objection will be raised to the fullest examination of the Spanish archives. Mr. Olney has not yet requested that such an examination be allowed, but he is assured of a favorable answer in case a request is submitted.

DR. BROWN'S TROUBLES.

Mrs. Davidson Not the Only Black-maller Who Attempted to Entray Him, SAN FANCISCO, Jan. 1.—Scandal is being added to scandal in the sensa-

tional developments of the accusations made by the Rev. Charles O. Brown against Mrs. Mary Davidson. The rev-

against Mrs. Mary Davidson. The reverend gentleman declares that he is no new victim of the wiles of blacmaliers. It is the second time within eighteen months he has been made the mark of scheming women who entered his sanctuary to Iran and persecute thim.

Noarly two years ago, he declares, Mrs. M. A. Stockton, a member of his own congregation, a woman who assumed a Christian spiritand won friends in the church, planned upon him a scheme of blackmall, which would have succeeded were it not for finely aid which came to him from an unexpected source.

Some time after Dr. Brown met Mrs. Stockton, he says, he received a message from her. She was on a bed of illness, she wrote him, and asked him to call to give that spiritual consolation which in his vocation he must render. It was his duty to go and he went. He had no more than entered the room, he declares that Mrs. Stockton sprang toward him and throwing her arms around him, kissed him. He was dumbfounded at the suddenness of the atmost and horrified at the offense of the woman.

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Before he could release himself a confederate of Mrs. Stockton was in the room, a smilling spectator of the scene. Dr. Hrown says he realized that he was trapped. He left the room as rapilly as possible. Distressed and excited, he declares, he did not know what to do. He could not evade an understanding of the woman's motive, but he says he did not feel able to tell his congregation. He could do no more than a wait developments and strive to defeat the schemers' plans. With his distressing meeting with Mrs. Stockton his association with her, he says, ceased. He had absolutely nothing more to do with her and although she continued to attend the First Congregational church, he did not care to assume the duty of exposing her.

Although he could do nothing himself, he had triends who were active in his behalf. Mrs. Stockton had a lawyer, and if his sworn affidavit be the truth, Mrs. Stockton was not only trapped in her game upon Dr. Brown, but in two others in which she hoped to make large sums of money. Mrs. Stocke



BLOOD POISON.



ton is still a member of the First Con-gregational church, of which Dr. Brown is pastor.

MONEY METALS.

The Enormous and Rapid Increase in the World's Production of Gold. Chicago Tribune: Paul Leroy Beau-lieu's article in the December Forum on "Conditions for American Commer-

lley's article in the December Forum on "Conditions for American Commercial and Financial Supremency" discusses state issues of paper money and bimetallism. The author says it is most surprising to Europeans that the United States should hesitate to adopt the single gold standard and reduce silver to the rank of subordinate or subsidiary coin. The market value of the silver we produce is less than half of 1 per cent of the total of our production, and to give an artificial value to such an insignnificant portion would compromise all the rest. "That appears unreasonable." Our interests as silver producers are wholly secondary in comparison with the immense advantage of adopting the gold currency basis in use by the chief civilized countries, and alone suited to the use of a rich people. The United States can aspire to take from England, in the course of the rest century, the commercial and financial supremacy heretofore enjoyed by that country. But for such a triumph it will not suffice to possess in abundance coal, fron, cotton, intelligent workmen and enterprising employers. It must have a money system that is definite, rational and unchangeable. The dollar must be given the qualities of the pound sterling. That is, there must be no doubt that it is a gold dollar, and that never, for any reason or under any pretext, that which is called a dollar will be paid in silver. A compictely solid monetary, system would enable us to profit by a large part of the capital accumulated in enormous amounts by the old nations of Europe.

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Europe.

For more than twenty years the single gold stanard has been applied in Germany, and for almost that length of time in France, Belgium and Switzerland. All those countries are less disposed to-day than they were at the belginning of the fall in silver to take artificial measures to raise the price of that metal. A fixed ratio between gold and silver is an arrangement long since vanished. An entire new generation of adults has arisen who never knew silver in complete possession of the functions of momey. There is not a single European country, in a normal financial condition, that attaches the silkhiest importance to bimetallism. Now and then some minister may utter in parliament a few equivocal words on the subject, seeking to avoid stripping bimetallists of their inst hope, but these vague promises to study the monetary problem are due to the habit, common to all European statesmen, of avoiding offending or estranging any group of voters, even one of slight importance.

In 1876 silver had lost only 12 per cent of the monetary value accorded to it by the Latin Union. To many minds it scened not impossible to overcome this disparity, and yet at that time there was not among the European powers a single serious advocate of silver. If no understanding could be reached then, how can any arrangement be possible now that the depreciation has exceeded 50 per cent? Resides that vastly increased difficulty the partisans of the double stanard have lost their principal argument of a few years ago, which was that the production of previously little explored countries has led to the discovery of very productive gold mines, and the lamentations of Cernuschi, Lavaleye and numerous others of lesser note about an alleged approaching money famine have lost their weight. The production of gold had decreased from the colossal yield of 1520 to 1870. The colonization of previously little explored countries has led to the discovery of very productive gold mines, and the lamentations of cernuschi, Lavaleye and numerous others

The Wool Trade.

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HOSTON. Jan. 1.—The American Wool and Cotton Reporter will say tomorrow of the wool trade:

The sales in the three principal markets of the country in the last week of 1835, have amounted to 12,213,900 pounds, nearly 7,500,000 pounds of which were domestic stock of every known description. This wool has been sold on the average at prices 5 per cent in advance of the equal pre-Christmas selling rate s, and at least four-fifths of it has gone into consumption. Nevertheless, the stock purchased last week was all bought cheap, and was good property, even at the utmost advance paid for any particular class of wool. While a large part of the business has been done with the worsted people, the wool manufacture has been well represented, which is regarded on all hands as a healthy symptom.

In Beston, 8,185,000 pounds, about six million pounds, of which was domestic, is the market record for the last week of 1895. The year went out without excitement, with the market from all kinds of wool.

Four Boys Cremated.

PITTSBUIGHI, Kansas, Dec. 31.— Near Frontenac, four brothers, Robert, John, William and Arch McPadden, were burned to death in their house while asleep. They were eighteen, six-teen, twelve and eleven years old, re-spectively, and the two eldest were miners. There are hints of foul play. An Honorable Exception.

LONDON, Dec. 31.—Truth in a long article to-day defends President Cleve-land's attitude on the Monroe doctrine and asserts that it is quite as legiti-mate as the European concert.

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